

REMARKS

The application submitted herewith is a continuation application claiming priority to PCT/US02/08275, filed on April 19, 2002, which in turn claims benefit of U.S. provisional application serial no. 60/285,200, filed on April 20, 2001. Applicants amend the first paragraph of the specification herein to identify the requisite priority applications.

Applicants amend the claims herein to clarify the claim language and to correct informalities regarding multiple dependent claims. No new matter has been added. In claim 1, Applicants eliminate the steps of encrypting and decrypting the identity information. Support for this amendment can be found in the as-filed specification on Page 16, line 25, to Page 17, line 31. In the description, the proxy client operates by only encrypting the HTTP request, which constitutes the action information. *See* Page 17, lines 20-23. The proxy client in this embodiment was not described to encrypt any identity information. In claims 3-7, Applicants correct several typographical errors and clarify certain antecedent references. In claim 8, Applicants correct an improper antecedent reference and an improper multiple dependent claim, noting that as corrected herein, dependent claim 8 depends from dependent claim 5, which in turn depends from independent claim 4. Applicants correct an improper multiple dependent claim in claim 11 by deleting the improper second dependency (i.e., dependence from claim 10) and adding new claim 13, which has the same claim language as recited in claim 11 but is dependent from claim 10.

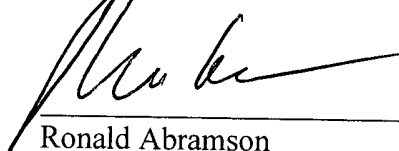
Applicants submit an IDS containing references from the International Search Report (ISR) of the parent application, PCT/US02/08275. A copy of the ISR is also submitted herewith. Applicants respectfully request these references to be made of record in the instant U.S. continuation application.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe the application is in a condition for allowance, and respectfully request consideration and allowance of the claims presented herein.

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Respectfully submitted,

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